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More than 100 Lawrence University students from around the globe will perform during the 35th annual Lawrence International Cabaret, a musical celebration of world culture.

With a theme of “Unity in 57” — a salute to the 57 countries represented in the Lawrence student body — two performances will be staged in Stansbury Theatre of the Music-Drama Center: Saturday, April 16 at 6:30 p.m. and Sunday, April 17 at 3 p.m. A buffet dinner featuring international dishes will be served in the Warch Campus Center following the Sunday performance. In keeping with the theme, the dinner promises 57 ingredients.

This year’s Cabaret also will include some fund-raising activities to support victims of the floods in Pakistan, the earthquake and tsunami in Japan and various campus organizations involved in humanitarian projects, such as Globemed, which supports a children’s school and health care facility in Ecuador.

“We want to broaden the reach of Lawrence International to be an organization that’s more than just a tableau of cultures,” said LI President Siddhant Dayal, a senior from Mumbai, India. “We want to be an organization that makes a positive difference around the world, especially in the home countries of our students.”

Cabaret features nearly two dozen acts, including a pair of fashion shows highlighting the colorful dress of students’ native countries, music from Bali, Brazil, Ghana and Japan as well as traditional dance performances from Belarus, the Caribbean, China, Ethiopia, Japan, Ghana, the Indian Subcontinent and Latin America.